IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Esa SUOKAS et al.

Group Art Unit: 3734

Application No.: 10/565,023

Examiner: Jennifer L. HORNBERGER

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For: SYNTHETIC, BIOABSORABLE POLYMER MATERIALS

AND IMPLANTS

Docket No.: 12808/29

Customer No.: 26646

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of April 14th, 2009, Applicants petition for a two month extension of time, extending the period of response up to and including September 14, 2009. The Office is authorized to charge Kenyon and Kenyon's Deposit Acct. No. 11-0600 for the extension of time fee. Applicants submit the following amendments and request reconsideration of the present application.

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